

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant	: Tetsuji Yamaoka et al.	Art Unit	: 1633
Serial No.	: 10/578,283	Examiner	: Ileana Popa
Filed	: May 4, 2006	Conf. No.	: 2757
Title	: CARRIER FOR NUCLEIC ACID MOLECULE DELIVERY		

**Mail Stop Amendment**

Commissioner for Patents

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Responsive to the Office Action dated June 23, 2008, Applicants elect the following species: (i) with respect to Species group A, Applicants elect Y species “-CONH-(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>n<sub>y</sub></sub>-” as specified by claim 2; (ii) with respect to Species group B, Applicants elect Z species “-NR<sub>3</sub>R<sub>4</sub>” as specified by claim 2; (iii) with respect to Species group C, Applicants elect X species “-OC(=O)-R<sub>c</sub>-C(=O)Z<sup>1</sup>-” as specified by claim 3; and (iv) with respect to Species group D, Applicants elect W species “-C(=O)O-” as specified by claim 6. Claims 1-11 read on the elected species. The election is made *without* traverse.

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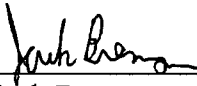
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With respect to the statement on page 2 and 3 of the Office Action, Applicants understand that claim 1 is the generic claim for the claims listed in Species groups A-D.

Please apply any charges or credits to Deposit Account No. 06-1050, referencing Attorney Docket No. 18990-004US1.

Respectfully submitted,

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